

AM19-1-5B3 produced by the hydridoma cell line deposited with the ATCC as PTA-4147;

AM9-9-11H11 produced by the hydridoma cell line deposited with the ATCC as PTA-4159; and

AM9-9-4F5 produced by the hydridoma cell line deposited with the ATCC as PTA-4145.

REMARKS

It is respectfully requested that this application be reconsidered in view of the above amendments and the following remarks and that all of the claims be allowed.

Claims 1-59 are being canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. New claims 60-82 are being added.

Applicants are pursuing claims to immunoassay kits for practicing methods granted in the parent case. Support for claims 60-82 can be found throughout the specification, especially at Example 21 and original claims 30 and 31. Support for the specificities of the named purified antibodies is found especially at page 43.

No new matter has been added by these amendments. The Examiner is hereby requested to enter these amendments.

Applicants submit that all claim amendments presented herein or previously are made solely in the interest of expediting allowance of the claims and should not be interpreted as acquiescence to any rejections or ground of unpatentability in this or related patents or applications. Applicants reserve the right to file at least one continuing application to pursue any subject matter that is canceled or removed from prosecution due to the amendments.

Conclusions:

Applicants request that the above amendments be entered prior to examination of this application. Early and favorable examination is hereby requested.

In the event that a telephone conversation could expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at (480) 505-0540 x3213.

Respectfully submitted,

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